



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 499***

LCO No. 2537

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Referred to Committee on General Law

Introduced by:  
(GL)

***AN ACT CONCERNING CREDIT CARD SOLICITATION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 53-311a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

3 (a) No person, company, partnership or corporation shall engage in  
4 the practice of mailing or the distribution in any form of any credit  
5 card, charge plate or any like instrument or device to any other person,  
6 firm or corporation unless such other person, firm or corporation has  
7 previously made a request therefor in writing or verbally.

8 (b) Any person, company, partnership or corporation which violates  
9 the provisions of subsection (a) of this section shall be fined not more  
10 than one hundred dollars for each card, plate, instrument or device so  
11 mailed or distributed.

12 (c) No person, company, partnership or corporation shall engage in  
13 the practice of mailing or the distribution in any form of any  
14 unsolicited offer of credit, including, but not limited to, an unsolicited  
15 offer for a credit card, charge plate or any like instrument or device to

16 any person under twenty-one years of age.

17 (d) Any person, company, partnership or corporation which violates  
 18 the provisions of subsection (c) of this section shall be fined fifty per  
 19 cent of the amount of unsolicited credit, unsolicited offer for a credit  
 20 card, charge plate, or any like instrument or device so mailed or  
 21 distributed.

22 [(c)] (e) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the renewal  
 23 of any credit card, charge plate or like instrument or device unless the  
 24 recipient has previously indicated in writing his intention that such  
 25 renewal not be effected nor shall it apply to the replacement of any  
 26 such instrument or device by the issuer thereof during the period such  
 27 instrument or device is in effect.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2006	53-311a

**Statement of Purpose:**

To prohibit credit card companies from making unsolicited offers of credit to persons under twenty-one years of age.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*